

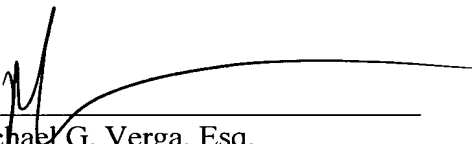
Remarks

1. A Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment Office Action was mailed March 11, 2005. In reply, Applicant resubmits the claim section of the October 4, 2004 Preliminary Amendment and Response to Election/Restriction Requirement.

Conclusion

2. In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that this application is in condition for allowance and favorable action is respectfully solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'M. Verga', is written over a horizontal line.

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